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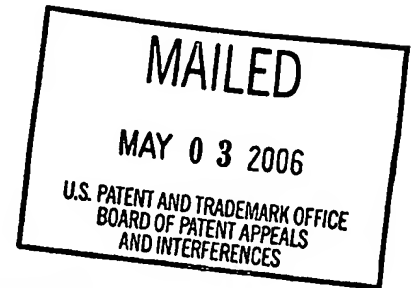
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte RONALD E. DELUGA

Application No. 10/737,051

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER



This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on March 31, 2006. A cursory review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below:

The following content is missing from the Examiner's Answer mailed September 27, 2005 in the order and with the context stated in the Rules:

Section "(8) Evidence Relied Upon," fails to list the relevant references applied in the rejections on appeal.

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Correction is required pertaining to the headings and content required in the Examiner's Answer. For more information on the Board's new rules see the web page entitled "More Information on the Rules of Practice Before the BPAI, Final Rule" at:

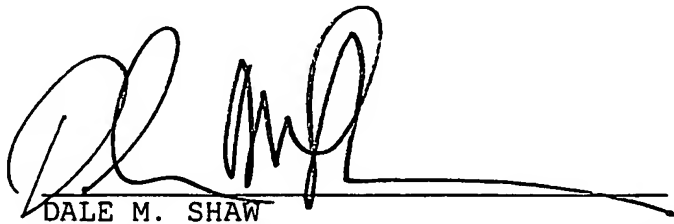
<http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/dcom/bpai/fr2004/moreinfo.html>.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner:

- to submit a revised Examiner's Answer in accordance with the new rules effective September 13, 2004; and
- for such further action as may be appropriate.

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